

SUBS SINK TOTAL IN EXCESS MILLION TONS FOR MONTH

Record Mark Is Made By U-Boats In Campaign
of Relentlessness

NAVAL CONSULTING BOARD AT CAPITAL

Americans Cheerful, Believing That Sub Menace
Is Soon To Be Curbed

ENGLAND WHIPPED IN EIGHT MONTHS IF U-BOATS NOT STOPPED.
(International News Service.)

Washington, May 8.—England will be defeated within eight months unless at the end of that time the United States has cleared the steamer lanes of German submarines and is sending a steady stream of food-stuffs to feed her people and her armies. This was the announcement of the federal shipping board this afternoon.

A colossal ship building program has accordingly been decided upon by the shipping board in an effort to help England ward off defeat.

(International News Service.)

Washington, May 8.—Germany finally has exceeded her quota of sinking 1,000,000 tons of merchant ship ping a month.

During the four weeks which ended last Saturday, the U-boats sunk vessels totalling a trifle more than that tonnage.

ATTEMPT MADE TO KILL KAISER

(International News Service.)

Paris, May 8.—An attempt has been made to assassinate the Kaiser in Berlin, according to a dispatch from Rome today, quoting the Corriere d'Italia.

Three shots were fired at the German war lord while he was motoring in the street, it was said. The would-be assassin was arrested.

Two of the bullets struck the emperor's automobile. Efforts of details from the Berlin police were fruitless. The telegram printed in the Corriere d'Italia was sent originally from Zurich, Switzerland, which is near the German border. It is believed the information was secured from a traveler.

Guardsmen Here And Elsewhere Ordered To Enforce Rules

(International News Service.)

Washington, May 8.—Additional precautions were taken against the destruction of bridges today when the war department issued orders to all department commanders to instruct guardsmen guarding railroad bridges to enforce the regulations against passengers riding on platforms of trains.

L. & N. Men Chip In Dime Each To Buy American Flag

Old Glory is to wave over the L. & N. shops. A great big flag—as big as probably two thousand dimes can buy—will be purchased as soon as the men are all given a chance to join in the patriotic movement. The campaign for the new flag was begun yesterday, and it was announced that no contribution of more than 10 cents would be accepted, and that only those employed in the shops would be given a chance to get in. The railroad company will supply the flag pole, and the men the flag. It will be placed probably on the main building.

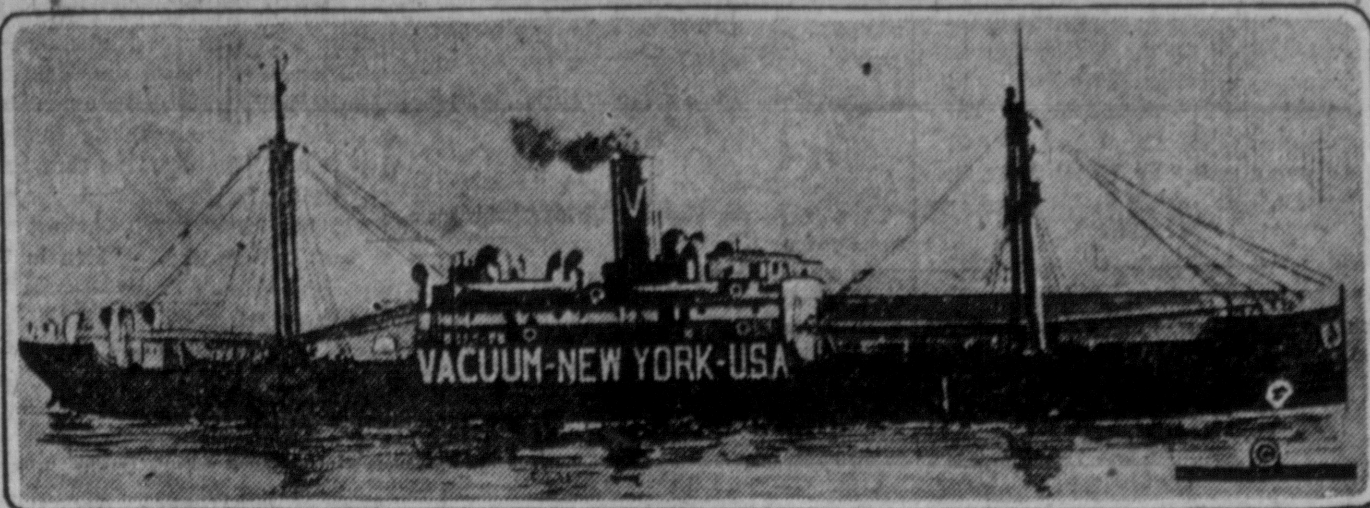
BRAZIL JOINS UNCLE SAM IN WAR ON THE KAISER

(International News Service.)

Rio Janeiro, May 8.—Brazil is going to co-operate actively in the war with Germany.

All the tremendous resources of all the Brazilian harbors are to be thrown open to the American navy. It was announced by the minister of foreign affairs today.

AMERICAN VESSEL SUNK BY GERMAN SUBMARINE



The American oil tank steamer Vacuum which was sunk by a German submarine while on her way to the United States. Part of the crew, a naval lieutenant and four gunners were lost.

GERMAN CRISIS NEAR; BIG FISSURES SEEN AS GREAT EMPIRE CRACKS

—Gazette Of Lausanne

(International News Service.)

Berne, May 8.—A crisis is near in Germany, is the keynote of an article in the Gazette of Lausanne, says a dispatch from that city today.

The Gazette is credited with having excellent sources of information and the article was read with wide interest in diplomatic circles here. It is headed "The Awakening of Germany," and says in part: "Whoever is able to hear through the veil or see through the curtain can discern that there is no doubt that the German empire is beginning to crack big fissures, perhaps still invisible to the

naked eye, are beginning to form."

The writer dwells upon the latitude allowed the German press in discussing political reforms and peace. If reports coming from the German border are to be trusted, political events of high importance are impending in the German empire.

The position of Dr. von Bethmann-Holweg, the German chancellor, is being watched with utmost interest as the result of his recent association with certain German socialists. It is now problematical when the German chancellor will deliver his peace address.

MISS TRAX DECLARES WOMEN EXPECT TO WIN BALLOT IN ALABAMA AND IN NATION

Miss Lola Trax, prominent woman suffrage leader of Baltimore, spoke last night at the city hall in Decatur. Miss Trax is making a two months' tour of Alabama under the auspices of the Alabama Equal Suffrage association.

Miss Trax was very optimistic as to woman suffrage. "We are going to win," said she. "We are going to win for just the same reason that men have won their suffrage. Our men have said that it was right that those governed should have a right to vote. We believe the same thing and we are going to win."

When asked if the suffragists hoped to carry Alabama, Miss Trax replied: "Yes, we expect to carry Alabama for woman suffrage. It is now certain that a bill for equal suffrage will be introduced in the next legislature and we expect it to win."

"Not only do we expect to carry Alabama. We are sure that before the next presidential election a national

woman suffrage measure will have been passed by congress. The 1920 presidential election will be one of the most fiercely contested elections we have ever had. The republicans are going to use every effort to get back into power. The democrats are going to try to prevent this. The best way to prevent it is by granting equal suffrage to women."

"It was not a democratic vote that elected Mr. Wilson president last November. It was the woman vote. In the west there were six million women voted last November. These women votes elected Mr. Wilson president. We feel sure that Mr. Wilson will recommend that congress grant women equal suffrage as a reward for their loyalty."

Miss Pleasant Hobbs, president of the Athens Equal Suffrage association, together with Decatur suffragists, arranged the meeting for Miss Trax last night. Hon. W. W. Callahan presided at the meeting.

BOX FACTORY WILL BE REBUILT SOON

CAPITAL STOCK IS INCREASED
FROM \$10,500 TO \$25,000 FOLLOWING
RECENT FIRE.

Work of rebuilding the Decatur Box and Basket Company factory that was recently burned will begin this week, following a meeting of the stockholders last night.

The capital stock of the factory will be increased from \$10,500 to \$25,000. A. D. Jarvis will remain as president and W. F. Boswell as general manager and W. A. Bibb as secretary and treasurer.

The company has purchased six acres of land from the H. H. Hitt Lumber Company. The new plant will be of most modern construction and will increase the production of the factory, although the working force will remain at 60 men. The product will be handled more economically by the new plant.

This industry has acquired quite a reputation, its product being sold in Michigan, Illinois, Kentucky and other distant states. The plant has a payroll of about \$4,000 monthly, including money spent for lumber.

The factory will be ready for business in about 60 days.

JURY WILL HAVE MOORE CASE TODAY

TESTIMONY COMPLETED BY NON
AND LAWYERS HAVE THEIR
INNING DURING AFTERNOON

The trial of Madison Moore for the killing of Roy Clayton near Moss Chapel on Easter Sunday is rapidly drawing to a close in the Morgan county circuit court. The case may get to the jury by late this afternoon, the evidences having been practically finished before noon.

Clayton was killed by a knife in the hands of Moore after a quarrel that began, it is said, after Clayton began to pay attentions to Moore's sister, to which Moore objected. Clayton died within an hour after he was cut, although he walked thirty or forty yards after the cutting before he knew he was wounded.

BULGARIAN SOCIALISTS TO
BE AT THE CONFERENCE.

(International News Service.)
Copenhagen, May 8.—Bulgarian socialists will be represented in the international socialist peace convention in Stockholm.

LOOKS LIKE DRAFT BILL DEADLOCK CAN'T BE BROKEN

Probabilities Are That Measure Will Be
ferred Back To Congress

NOT MUCH CHANCE FOR MR. ROOSEVELT

House Holds That Volunteer Plan Contrary
Conscription Idea

(International News Service.)

Washington, May 8.—The conscription bill conferees failed to reach an agreement today. By their own admission, the outlook for a settlement appeared hopeless. They will make a final attempt this afternoon, and if the deadlock is not broken then they will report a disagreement and ask for further instructions from their respective houses.

There were four main points of disagreement left today after the conferees had smothered out their minor differences:—The Harding amendment authorizing acceptance of Col. Roosevelt's offer to raise a division for service abroad; the so-called Fall amendment providing a patrol of three cavalry regiments for the Mexican border; the section relating to use of liquor in the army, and the provision fixing the age limit for conscription.

Hopes of securing the acceptance of the Roosevelt amendment fell to near zero today. The house conferees have taken the position that the amendment authorizing recruiting by the volunteer system is contrary to the universal service principle of the bill.

SCHULMAN ERECTS A NEW BUILDING

HANDSOME TWO-STORY STRUCTURE
WILL BE USED AS PRODUCE HOUSE.

The handsome two-story brick building which is to be the future home of the Schulman produce business is now going up on West Moulton street and will be ready for occupancy within a few weeks. The structure is being erected according to the designs of M. Schulman, and when completed will be the model produce house of North Alabama. It will cost several thousands of dollars.

Since engaging in the produce business here Mr. Schulman has met with marked success, and when he occupies his new store will be in still better position to care for his growing trade.

Missionaries From Turkey Are Safe

(International News Service.)

Washington, May 8.—The representatives in Turkey of the Foreign Board of Missions have reached Berne, Switzerland, from Constantinople, according to advices received by the state department today from Minister Stovall. With the members of the mission were ten members of the crew of the U. S. S. Scorpion, interned at Constantinople.

Capt. McEwen Places The Ban On Gift Or Sale Of Liquors To Enlisted Men In Uniform

Notice was served today by Capt. J. D. McEwen, ranking officer in command of the troops now stationed in North Alabama, that he would not tolerate further the giving or sale of liquor to men in uniform.

"If the bootleggers sell liquor to my men I will get them," the officer declared. "Outside of that I have no interest in their operations."

According to Capt. McEwen, on more than one occasion the soldier boys have showed up at camp considering the worse for alcohol.

WRECKED FREIGHT MISSION IS ON AFTER BAD NIGHT

DERAILING OF TRAIN FORCED
VISITORS TO TRAVEL ON DELAYED SCHEDULE.

(International News Service.)

With the French Mission, May 8. After having spent the night at Effingham, Ill., following the wreck near Arcola, the members of the French mission were up early today preparatory to departure from this point at 9 o'clock.

The train will stop 10 minutes at Terra Haute, one hour and fifteen minutes at Indianapolis and one hour and fifteen minutes at Columbus, after leaving the latter place the train departs for the seaboard.

SPECIAL DERAIL BUT NO LIVES WERE LOST

(International News Service.)

Arcola, Ill., May 8.—Members of the French mission to the United States were severely shaken up, but otherwise uninjured, when the special train aboard which they were returning east from their middle western tour, was derailed one and one-half miles from here at 7:35 o'clock last night.

William Nye, in charge of the United States secret service detail attached to the party, made a thorough investigation of conditions surrounding the wreck and announced as his opinion that it was entirely accidental.

Rene Viviani, French minister of justice and head of the mission; Marshal Joffre and other attaches of the party were dining at the time of the accident. Only the forward truck of the diner, however, left the rails and the jar was comparatively slight.

DEBT TO FRANCE PARTIALLY PAID

(International News Service.)

Washington, May 8.—America's first war loan to France was made today, when Secretary McAdoo turned over to the French ambassador a treasury warrant for \$100,000,000. This is the first material return made by the United States for services rendered to this country during the revolution by Lafayette and other illustrious Frenchmen.

Vandals Pull Onions And Potatoes Grown By School Children

A bit of vandalism that would do vast credit to the Goths and Huns was reported this morning by Prof. Ralph W. Cowart, superintendent of the Albany city schools. Prof. Cowart stated that during the night some person with no regard for the rights of others had visited the gardens planted by the school children and had pulled up all the onions in one bed but two, and had pulled up many potato vines. The potato vines were pulled and thrown down in the garden, indicating that the author of the offense was a vandal.

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THE DEMOCRACY **THE WHOLE WAY.**

Press dispatches are to be ac-
 cepted face value—and it must be
 that they come through
 sources and are not the un-
 checked writings of trained news-
 men who love to give all the
 democracy of Russia has
 assimilated all the ideas and
 principles of the democracy of Amer-
 ica. So truly are Russians imbued with
 the idea of freedom that the recent
 rising in Petrograd is now char-
 acterized as a misconception of the govern-
 ment's announced determination to
 prosecute the war to "a victorious
 conclusion." Having learned from a
 line of czars what these words
 mean when liberally interpreted by
 conquering autocracy, the Russian
 democracy saw in prospect the annex-
 ation of liberal slices of Germany as
 well as the imposing of peace terms
 and conditions that were in other
 ways drastic and rigorous.

Prince Tseretelli, speaking before
 an immense audience of soldiers and
 workmen, is credited with saying:

"Now that the question has been
 settled here our aim—war with-
 out annexation, expropriations or
 contributions—also must be re-
 alized abroad. We must know
 the attitude of the democracy of
 our allies. If a similar move-
 ment takes place in the foreign
 democracies, this will bring peace
 nearer and we shall struggle until
 our views are also the avowed
 aims of the democracies with
 whom we are allied."

If these words are representative of
 the thought of the Russian people,
 it is evident that a marvelous trans-
 formation has taken place in the na-
 tion that was once referred to as
 "darkest Russia." From unrelentless
 despotism to an enlightened democ-
 racy that is without avarice and su-
 perior to revenge, is such a long
 jump that it is almost impossible to
 admit that it has been achieved. The
 words of Tseretelli indicate that the
 American abhorrence to tribute, and
 the American magnanimity in deal-
 ing with a fallen foe, are part and
 parcel of the new Russian faith.

The trend of the times is toward a
 universal democracy. From the melt-
 ing pot of the great European conflict
 there will emerge a brotherhood of
 man that will include not only the
 down-trodden Slav but also the mil-
 lant Teuton. Waterson's "To Heil
 with the Hapsburg and the Hohenzol-
 lern" is to be enlarged and amended
 to include the Romanoff and the
 Hamid and every other impersonation
 of despotic power. To crush Ger-
 many is an unholy ambition. To crush
 autocracy is a task that becomes the
 world.

SCHOLARSHIP IS WORTHY **OF ITS REWARD.**

Just at this time, when Albany is
 moving onward in the direction of
 progress with accelerated gait, it
 would be especially appropriate if the
 city schools should adopt the system
 now universally used in Tennessee
 and in nearly all of the public schools
 of Alabama of graduating pupils who
 make the honor roll for every month
 of the term without a final examina-
 tion. The merit and the justice of
 such reward for diligent application
 and excellence in scholarship is self-
 evident. It is an incentive to labor,
 a stimulus to greater endeavor. There
 is no more effective means of kind-
 ling pride, that subtle something that
 drives the dullard on and stirs the
 real student to greater application,
 than to see a goal of promise ahead,
 that could be more just than to
 honor roll.

ees that does not reflect his or her
 true scholarship. Would it be alto-
 gether fair if by some chance the
 non-honor roll pupil should graduate
 by diligent "cramping," while the de-
 pendable and consistent student
 should fail?
 It is an undisputed fact that pupils
 from those schools that graduate from
 an honor roll record are admitted
 without examination to the leading in-
 stitutions of higher learning the
 world over. This in itself should com-
 mend the honor system to the local
 school authorities.

A LOW OUTRAGE.

The partial destruction of the gar-
 dens planted by the pupils of the Al-
 bany city schools is an outrage that
 deserves the severest condemnation.
 If the perpetrators of this bit of low
 vandalism are discovered they should
 be dealt with as severely as the law
 allows. Everything possible should
 be done to ferret them out and bring
 them to justice.

It is a reflection upon a commu-
 nity that it harbors even one person
 so ignominiously small, so puny in
 character, so warped in patriotism and
 so dwarfed in principle as must be this
 growler of the night who went forth
 on a mission of destruction. Beside
 him we must hold up the mad pirates
 as sea as beacons of virtue. The
 scuttling of ships and the assassina-
 tion of citizens, when done in the
 name of desperation are holy and
 commendable acts when compared
 with the wanton ruthlessness of this
 midnight ghoul of the garden.

STRONG SERMON BY **REV. HEISERMAN**

Speaking from the text, "The woman
 whom thou gavest to be with me, she
 gave me of the tree and I did eat,"
 Rev. J. H. Heiserman, pastor of the
 Lutheran church, preached a strong
 sermon Sunday morning on individual
 responsibility.

The speaker said that in the words
 of the text Adam made a veiled at-
 tempt to place the responsibility for
 his sin on God himself, that Eve's
 presence and the consequent sin were
 mentioned in the same association and
 as God put Eve where she was, He
 was indirectly responsible for Adam's
 sin.

The speaker said in part: "Adam
 did not shrink from attributing sin to
 God. Time and again religious teach-
 ers have taught that God caused the
 fall, and also have gone about to
 prove the same. It is also said as
 God allows sin, therefore He approves
 it. 'It is my nature to sin,' some say.
 Such thoughts are blasphemous. The
 scripture teaches no such things."
 "Why did God put the tree in the
 garden and allow Satan to approach
 Adam? Such questioning shows that
 some still seek to put the burden of
 sin on the Holy God. But in truth,
 no evil and all good is of God. Still
 professed Christians if an answer to
 their prayers is not immediately forth-
 coming get out of patience—even
 Christians sometimes entertain secret
 anger against God. Though we may
 loathe and detest such a sin, yet it
 is apt to assail us. We should arm
 ourselves against the evil one. God
 allows evil that we may through His
 power, get the victory over it and thus
 magnify and glorify His grace. God
 allows evil, but that there is triumph-
 ant evil is man's fault. There are
 pains and sickness, but foolish living
 and the laws of heredity mostly bring
 these things to us. There are the
 forces of nature, but that they are
 made to administer to men's deaths
 and to the destruction of property is
 due to man's devilish ingenuity. The
 devil exists by God's allowance, but
 that he can bring death to the soul
 is due to man's wilful sins.

God's Gifts Opposite to Satan's.
 "We may divide God's gifts thus:
 His good gifts and His perfect gifts.
 One of earth are good gifts, but
 those of heaven are perfect gifts. It
 is impossible and unreasonable not to
 ascribe earthly good to God. The skill
 of the mechanic the labor of the far-
 mer and the diligence of all workers
 are of God. All success and all
 wealth is of God, though in His provi-
 dence, some success is honored, while
 some is passed unnoticed. Most peo-
 ple the more successful they are the
 less they ascribe it to God and the
 more to themselves. This obsession
 grows apace until some proudly pro-
 claim themselves as self made. St.
 James says that every good and per-
 fect gift cometh down from the Father
 of light.

Strangest of all those who admit
 that they cannot keep permanently
 or cure even their temperal bodies,
 are often ready to claim credit to
 themselves for spiritual and heavenly
 gifts. Such say that they discov-
 er truth instead of accepting it. Some
 parade their so-called good works for
 self atonement from sin, and lay aside
 repentance and conversion. They
 make religion a matter of self forgive-
 ness.

Major J. S. Sewell Will Lead **First Alabamians In France**

Birmingham Marble Man To Command Seventh Reserve **Engineers Regiment To Be Recruited In State**

(International News Service.)
 Washington, May 8.—The war
 department today made public
 names of men who will command
 the nine engineer regiments now
 being recruited which will be the
 first contingent to carry the Stars
 and Stripes to the battlefront in
 France. Among regiments and
 commanders named is the Seventh
 regiment from Atlanta which will
 be commanded by Major John S.
 Sewell.

The first Alabamians to see service
 in France will be the engineers. The
 Alabama contingent of engineers will
 be known as the Seventh Reserve
 Engineer regiment and will be re-
 cruited at once and led by Major J.
 S. Sewell.

"They will go at the earliest pos-
 sible moment," the war department
 announced yesterday. The total
 strength of the eleven regiments of
 engineers to be raised over the United
 States will be about 12,000.

The secretary of war has assigned
 Major Sewell, of the Engineer Officers'
 Reserve Corps, at present vice-presi-
 dent and general manager of the
 Alabama Marble Company, at Gantt's
 Quarry, Ala., to expedite the organiza-
 tion of the Seventh Reserve Engineer
 Regiment in the vicinity of Birming-
 ham and in the state of Alabama.

Major Sewell is authorized to say that
 all men will be discharged at the end
 of the war and they will not be sub-
 ject to draft to other forces while
 serving in the engineer regiment;
 also that the regiment will be called
 into active service as soon as suffi-
 ciently organized. The special func-
 tions of the regiment will be railway
 maintenance of way and construction.
 It is Major Sewell's opinion that this
 means exceptional opportunities on
 the line of communication in France
 in connection with any expeditionary
 force that may be sent over there.

It is a good opportunity for men with
 the requisite experience to serve
 their country under the conditions
 most advantageous to themselves. For
 the present all inquiries should be
 addressed to Major J. S. Sewell, care
 Army Recruiting Station, Birming-
 ham.

Major Lytle Brown to **Train Army Engineers**

Tennessee River Work to be in Charge
 of Capt. J. J. Bain.

An announcement of interest to
 this section is that Maj. Lytle Brown,
 who succeeded Major Burgess as the
 government engineer in charge of
 Tennessee river work, has been as-
 signed to Ft. McPherson, Ga., in
 charge of the training of members of
 the engineer's reserve of the United
 States army. Major Brown has been
 relieved by Capt. J. J. Bain, also a
 graduate of West Point, who has been
 connected with river and harbor work
 at a number of points and was at
 one time in this department at Wash-
 ington.

Major W. S. Winn, assistant en-
 gineer in charge of Tennessee river
 work, has also passed the examina-
 tion for the engineer's reserve, but
 it has not yet been determined wheth-
 er he can be spared for army service.

Both Major Brown and Major Winn
 have been strong advocates of the
 opening of the Tennessee river to
 navigation and the development of the
 stored horse power of Muscle Shoals.

Greek Steamer Is **U-Boat Victim**

(International News Service.)
 New York, May 8.—The Greek
 steamer Partheno, which left here on
 April 10 for Havre, has been sunk by
 a submarine, according to dispatches
 received today.

And if one cannot even begin his
 spiritual life how can he hope to con-
 tinue it or bring it to a successful
 consummation."

In the concluding divisions of his
 sermon the preacher showed that the
 law was God's punishment for sin and
 that the Gospel is the power of God
 unto Salvation.

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ham, Ala. Engineers, mechanics, and
 workmen, qualified by their experi-
 ence are urgently requested to com-
 municate at once with Major Sewell.
 Men of military age should remember
 that they are liable to be drafted
 anyway, and this is an opportunity to
 render their services under the most
 ideal conditions. Men who are skilled
 in this sort of work are of much
 more value in a regiment of this kind
 than they would be in other branches
 of the service. Those who are ambi-
 tious for real war service are likely to
 have their wishes fully gratified.
 Even though the engineers are not
 often put directly on the firing line,
 it often falls to their lot to destroy
 bridges when the last contingent of
 infantry or other branch has passed,
 or to rebuild bridges and repair roads
 in the forefront of a victorious ad-
 vance. Service in a regiment of this
 sort has its full share of the hazards
 of war, and at the same time is in-
 tensely interesting. It is a magnifi-
 cent training for men of all grades.
 Many of the distinguished civil en-
 gineers of the last generation in the
 United States got their first engineer-
 ing experience in the battalion of en-
 gineers of the regular army during
 the civil war. Service in this en-
 gineer regiment is not only an oppor-
 tunity to serve one's country to the
 best advantage but cannot fail to
 have a favorable effect upon the fu-
 ture of those who enter its personnel.
 Engineers and men suitable for service
 in this regiment are urgently re-
 quested to communicate with Major
 Sewell without delay.

For the information of all con-
 cerned, the following list of occupa-
 tions, which are especially desirable
 for engineer regiments, is given:
 Topographical surveyors and sketch-
 ers, blacksmiths, electricians, drafts-
 men, miners, enginemen, steam and
 gas, machinists, firemen, masons, caulk-
 ers, lithographers and zincog-
 raphers, riggers, expert axemen,
 boatmen, horseshoers, quarry and
 powdermen, packers, teamsters, sad-
 dlers, cogs, clerks, plumbers and
 pipefitters, bridge carpenters, skilled
 carpenters, photographers and blue-
 print men.

U. S. Department Says **Wheat Crop Condition** **Isn't a Bit Discouraging**

(International News Service.)
 Washington, May 8.—The condition
 of winter wheat in the United States
 on May 1 was the lowest for the
 date of any year since 1888. The es-
 timates of the crop reporting board
 of the department of agriculture made
 public this afternoon reveals the area
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J. E. Blair Gives \$4 **To Orphan Children**

J. E. Blair, religious editor of the
 Albany-Decatur Daily, moved by the
 story of the needs of four little or-
 phan children at the Benevolent hospi-
 tal has sent Mrs. E. H. Allison a
 check for \$4 as his contribution to
 the fund to care for the children. The
 donation was greatly appreciated by
 Mrs. Allison and the hospital authori-
 ties who asked that Mr. Blair be pub-
 licly thanked for his donation.

Notice of Special **Stockholders Meeting**

Notice is hereby given that a spe-
 cial meeting of the stockholders of the
 Decatur Box and Basket Co. will be
 held at the Morgan County National
 Bank, Albany, Alabama, at 10 o'clock
 a. m., Tuesday, the 12th day of June,
 1917, for the purpose of increasing the
 capital stock of said company from
 ten thousand five hundred dollars to
 twenty-five thousand dollars.
 This May 7th, 1917.

A. D. JERVIS, President.
 W. F. BOSWELL, Sec'y Pro Tem.
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 in

"The Tides
of Barnegat"
 Paramount Feature

OFFICER'S SCHOOL **IS OVERFLOWING**

GUARDSMEN BARRED EXCEPT
 THROUGH CERTAIN CHANNELS.

(International News Service.)
 Atlanta, May 8.—It was announced
 today by C. L. Corbin at Ft. McPherson
 that over 3,000 applicants to ob-
 tain admission to the officers' train-
 ing camp had been received and that
 several hundred more applications
 were expected in the mail today.

It was also announced by Captain
 Corbin that all applications that have
 been received from national guards-
 men whether in the service or not will
 be thrown out by him. "Men in the
 national guard who want to come in
 to this camp will apply to their own
 commander and he will accept the
 best men up to 2 per cent of his
 command. Two per cent of the
 strength of the national guard in the
 three states of Florida, Georgia and
 Alabama will be about 250 men,"
 Captain Corbin said.

GEN. WOOD WANTS **ANOTHER OFFICERS' CAMP**

Washington, May 8.—An additional
 officers' training camp for the depart-
 ment of the southeast is being consid-
 ered by the war department following
 the visit here of Gen. Leonard Wood,
 the commander. General Wood wants
 two camps but it is not likely that
 more than one will be established in
 view of the fact that a site will have
 to be furnished which affords build-
 ings and other facilities and this site
 has not been found. General Wood
 goes to Charleston next Monday.

U. S. Department Says **Wheat Crop Condition** **Isn't a Bit Discouraging**

(International News Service.)
 Washington, May 8.—The condition
 of winter wheat in the United States
 on May 1 was the lowest for the
 date of any year since 1888. The es-
 timates of the crop reporting board
 of the department of agriculture made
 public this afternoon reveals the area
 to be harvested was 31 per cent less
 than the acreage planted last autumn
 and six per cent less than the acre-
 age harvested last year. The de-
 partment declared that the outlook
 generally is not discouraging.

LANSING WILL FIRE **CARELESS OFFICIALS**

SECRETARY OF STATE DECLARES
 HE HAS NO CONFIDENCE IN
 THEIR DISCRETION.

Washington, May 8.—Secretary of
 State Lansing today declared that he
 would dismiss from the service in-
 stantly any person connected with the
 state department who gives out in-
 formation leading to criticism of the
 administration's policies. He declared
 he did not have confidence in the
 discretion of some of the officials as
 to what should be given out.

Trinity Boy Enters **Training as Officer**

Goodloe F. Morris, 21, son of Rev.
 and Mrs. M. N. Morris of Trinity, ar-
 rived at his home this morning from
 Boston, and will enter the officers'
 training school at Ft. McPherson,
 Ga., on May 14. He enlisted and was
 examined and accepted while at the
 Hub, where he has been in the em-
 ploy of the American Felt Company
 since his graduation last year from
 Birmingham college. Mr. Morris has
 a baritone voice of unusual quality
 and while at Boston studied with a
 special teacher.

The Morgan County National Bank **Albany, Alabama**

CONDENSED STATEMENT, MAY 1, 1917

RESOURCES.	LIABILITIES.
Loans and Discounts.....\$338,645.47	Capital Stock.....\$100,000.00
Overdrafts.....197.27	Surplus.....20,000.00
Building and Fixtures.....23,514.54	Undivided Profits.....36,982.60
Other Real Estate.....1,681.50	Reserved for Interest and
U. S. Bonds.....100,000.00	Taxes.....2,353.37
Other Bonds and Invest- ments.....32,514.44	Circulation.....100,000.00
Five Per Cent Fund.....5,000.00	Due to Banks.....256.65
Cash and Due from Banks.....187,859.03	Deposits.....429,991.68
\$689,512.30	\$689,512.30

Individual Deposits May 1, 1915.....\$292,212.78
 Individual Deposits May 1, 1916.....349,891.03
 Individual Deposits May 1, 1917.....429,990.68

PLAN TO CUT TRAIN **SCHEDULES ONE-THIRD.**

(International News Service.)
 Chicago, May 8.—Chicago rail chiefs
 today were in conference with Daniel
 Willard, president of the Baltimore and
 Ohio railroad, and head of the national
 commission for the council of
 national defense on the subject of re-
 ducing all train schedules one-third
 as a means of conserving transpor-
 tation resources.

CHEERFUL WOMEN

Despondency is a thing of evil origin
 and evil results. Worry produces noth-
 ing but wrinkles and wretchedness.
 Let the reader put up a little note on
 her bureau, on her desk, and at the
 head of her bed, just two words, **WOMEN**
 Worry. Worry is the greatest foe to
 the happiness of any household. An
 anxious, despondent face, a fretful,
 complaining voice, will make every one
 uncomfortable.

A woman's nerves are more truly the
 cause of worry than outside troubles.
 The nerves are of a woman's body the
 telegraph system, which surely warns
 her of any trouble in the feminine
 make-up.

Dr. Pierce, during a long period
 of practice, found that a prescription
 made with glycerine, entirely of roots
 and herbs, without the use of alcohol,
 cured over ninety per cent of such
 cases. After using this remedy for
 many years in his private practice he
 put it up in a form that would make
 it easily procurable.

Women are earnestly advised to take
 it for irregular or painful periods,
 backache, headache, displacement, in-
 tarthral condition, hot flashes, salivary
 complexion and nervousness.

For girls about to enter womanhood,
 women about to become mothers, and
 for the changing days of middle age
 Dr. Pierce's Favorite Prescription
 should always be on hand. In liquid
 or tablets.

Write Dr. Pierce, Buffalo, N. Y., for
 free 136 page book on woman's dis-
 eases. Every woman should have one.
 Dr. Pierce's Medical Adviser, cloth
 bound, sent free to you on receipt of 25
 dimes (or stamps) to pay the expense of
 mailing only. Dr. Pierce, Invalids'
 Hotel, Buffalo, N. Y.

If you are troubled with Indigestion,
 Constipation, Biliousness, Bilious Head-
 aches, and a hundred and one ills which
 depend upon an inactive liver, use Dr.
 Pierce's Pleasant Pellets.—Adv.

KEPT HER AWAKE

The Terrible Pains in Back and
 Sides. Cardui Gave Relief.

Marksville, La.—Mrs. Alice Johnson,
 of this place, writes: "For one year I
 suffered with an awful misery in my back
 and sides. My left side was hurting me
 all the time. The misery was something
 awful.

I could not do anything, not even sleep
 at night. It kept me awake most of the
 night. I took different medicines, but
 nothing did me any good or relieved me
 until I took Cardui.

I was not able to do any of my work
 for one year and I got worse all the time,
 was confined to my bed off and on. I got
 so bad with my back that when I stooped
 down I was not able to straighten up
 again. I decided I would try Cardui.

By time I had taken the entire bottle
 I was feeling pretty good and could
 straighten up and my pains were nearly
 all gone.

I shall always praise Cardui. I con-
 tinued taking it until I was strong and
 well." If you suffer from pains due to
 female complaints, Cardui may be just
 what you need. Thousands of women
 who once suffered in this way now praise
 Cardui for their present good health.
 Give it a trial.

Advertising. NC-133

WILDER & EZELL **SOLE** **AG**

Makes fine baking
because it is fine in
texture and quality.
Best wheat; milled slowly
and sifted thru silk.
Requires less lard



Brock & Spight Co., Distributors, Decatur, Ala.

A Strong Banking Connection

is a large factor in the success of the prosperous business man. The CENTRAL seeks your business on its record.

Condensed Statement of Condition May 1st, 1917

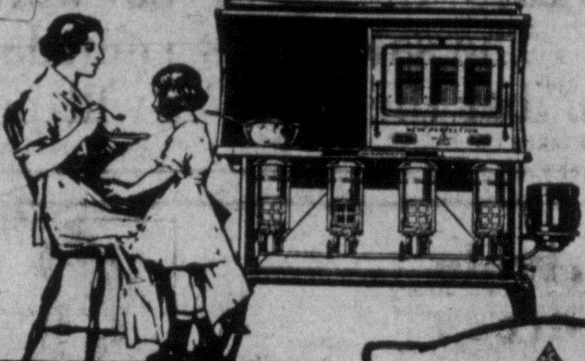
RESOURCES.	LIABILITIES.
Loans and Discounts.....\$194,683.34	Capital Stock.....\$100,000.00
Acceptances—Cotton.....126,000.00	Surplus and Profits.....10,229.32
Overdrafts.....7.52	Reserved for Interest.....179.40
U. S. Bonds.....75,000.00	Reserved for Taxes.....373.41
Five Per Cent Redemption Fund.....3,750.00	Deposits.....250,045.63
Furniture and Fixtures.....8,873.35	Circulation.....75,000.00
Stock in Federal Reserve Bank.....3,100.00	Bills Payable.....25,000.00
Stocks and Bonds.....3,855.19	Re-Discounts.....30,000.00
Cash and Due from Banks.....75,570.92	
Total.....\$490,843.42	Total.....\$490,843.42

The Central National Bank

ALBANY, ALA.

COMPARATIVE STATEMENT OF DEPOSITS.

May 1, 1915.....	\$145,221.67
May 3, 1916.....	157,075.56
March 5, 1917.....	223,740.73
May 1, 1917.....	250,075.69



NEW PERFECTION
OIL COOK STOVE

Makes Cooking a Pleasure

THERE'S no need to burn up your strength when you're doing your own cooking. It takes energy to cook food, but it ought to be heat energy, not human energy. Get a New Perfection—the Long Blue Chimney Stove. It makes you mistress of your own kitchen—not the slave of a stove. No soot, no odors, no constant fussing. Visible flame that stays put—the different oil cook stove. In more than 2,500,000 homes. Come in and see the reversible reservoir, a new and exclusive feature that makes the New Perfection better than ever before.

Cook Bros. Furniture Company

For your stomach's sake you should eat where you are assured of "Home Cooking"

When food is properly served and there's that fresh, clean, palatable "wholesomeness like you used to get home," that's the time and place you enjoy a meal.

Have you tried the

HOTEL ECHOLS

THE HOUSE OF HOSPITALITY

The house that makes Sunday dinners a specialty

The house that appreciates your patronage

We not only give you the best food on the market, at reasonable price of 50c, but good quick service. Try us once and you'll be a regular.

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SOCIETY

Barbara Clinton Shelton, Phone 682, Albany

CLUB CALENDAR.

Wednesday.

Berean Club—Mrs. T. M. Jones.

Married Ladies' Bridge.

Thursday.

U. D. C.—Mrs. W. T. Lowe.

Friday.

Auction Bridge.

School Improvement.

Saturday.

Silk Stocking Club—Mrs. Frank Lide.

FIRST DISTRICT FEDERATION.

The First District Federation of which Mrs. John D. Wyker is chairman, will meet Thursday evening, May 10, at the Decatur city hall at 8 o'clock. A very interesting program of musical and other members has been prepared. Dr. Eaves of Birmingham, will give an address. The gentlemen of the Twin Cities are invited to this meeting.

At 11:30 Friday morning, Mrs. Milton Humes will speak on food conservation. At 2 o'clock, Friday, Mrs. W. I. Thompson, of Huntsville, who is an enthusiastic leader in civics, at the personal invitation of the chairman, will deliver an address, to which an urgent invitation to the Civic League of Decatur and the School Improvement association of Albany is extended.

DANCE TONIGHT

AT COLONIAL CLUB.

What promises to be one of the most delightful dances of the season will be given tonight at the Colonial club. Dancing will begin at 9 o'clock, with music by Mike's orchestra. A large out-of-town attendance is expected.

CELEBRATE MOTHERS' DAY

Mother's Day at the Central Methodist church will be celebrated Sunday in unique fashion. The church leaders are busy securing half a dozen cars which will be used to carry persons too old or ill to walk to the service at 11 o'clock. All who telephone J. F. Lovin will have cars sent for them.

Mr. and Mrs. Ernest Edmonson are having a bungalow built on Sixth avenue, south. They will move into it soon.

Mrs. Andrew Ellener has returned from a visit to her parents at Jasper, Ala.

Grandmother Redding is not so well this week.

Mr. and Mrs. Hugh Davidson are having their home on Gordon Drive somewhat improved.

Mrs. M. Rosenzweig and daughter, Harriet, of Chicago, arrived today to visit her parents, Mr. and Mrs. M. Lesser. They will be joined the latter part of the week by Mr. Rosenzweig.

Miss Rebecca Saul, of Atlanta, is the guest of Mrs. A. Oleshine.

Mr. and Mrs. R. L. Wood, accompanied by Mr. and Mrs. Clawson Bowdry and daughter spent the week-end as guests of relatives in Lawrence county.

Mrs. Vera Austelle, Mrs. D. S. Johnson and Miss Mamie Bethard are representing the Ladies' Aid Society of the First M. E. church at the District Missionary Society now in session at Cullman.

Miss Lucile Phinzy is at Cullman representing the Willing Workers Society of the First M. E. church.

PERSONALS

H. L. Turner is in North Alabama this week engaged in his field of work.

J. M. Irwin, of Moulton, was here today.

Clark Dunn, of Birmingham, is here today.

Fred Hartung leaves this week for Erwin, Tenn., where he has accepted a position.

CLERK HARTUNG HAS BIRTHDAY

City Clerk Henry Hartung of Albany, is being congratulated by his friends today on the attainment of his fifty-fifth birthday. He bids fair to live fifty-five years longer.

Any Kind of Hauling

Done on Short Notice

J. S. Walker & Co.

Phone Albany 92

Dr. Stuckey Endorses The Food Movement

Rev. Rufus P. Stuckey, pastor of the First Baptist church of Albany, is thoroughly in harmony with the movement for the growing of larger food crops in the South. He made this statement this morning in an interview with a representative of the Daily. Mr. Stuckey could not be reached by telephone Sunday and for that reason no expression from him was contained in the article appearing in Monday's Daily and quoting many local pastors.

Miss Pleasant Hobbs, of Athens, accompanied Miss Trax to Cullman, where she is to give an address this evening.

Mrs. Edwin McGregor is entertaining at the Lyons Hotel this afternoon.

THE CITY PARK GREEN HOUSE

FLOWERS for MOTHER'S DAY

Garden and Bedding Plants.

All Kinds of Potted Plants and

Tasteful Floral Designs

Phone Albany 106 Day or Night

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THE KODAK SEASON IS NOW OPEN

Bring us your films to be finished, or leave them at Thompson's Drug Store. Large stock of Kodak films on hand at all times, one of the best films on the market. We make enlargements from your Kodak films.

Wagner's Studio
GRANT ST. PHONE 240

"I believe that the South should feed itself," said Mr. Stuckey today. "And you can quote me as saying that I am in thorough accord with the

views expressed Sunday from the pulpit by my fellow pastors.

\$-A Dollar Saved Is a Dollar Made-\$

"They Have Advanced."

"The Advanced Price."

"The New Price."

"The War Price."

Aren't you tired and disgusted with hearing such expressions as the above? Then, why listen to them? Why not trade with the merchant who had the capital, shrewdness, and forethought to protect you against this "War Levy?" Of course, there are some extreme novelties which are always a little higher in price than the staples. This is due to the fact that no one can see the future styles—they are so changeable and radical that they cannot be anticipated far enough ahead to protect on price.

But we mean that we still have the OLD PRICES on staple articles and semi-staples—to illustrate:

We are still selling our old numbers in

Ladies' Silk Lisle Hose at.....25c

Children's Lisle and Silk Sox.....25c

We see these advertised in the Birmingham papers

at 35c and 29c

Same quality in Ladies' Underwear, Vests.....10c, 15c, 25c

Union Suits 50c, 75c and \$1.00



Same prices in Men's Underwear, separate suits

50c, 75c and \$1.00

Union Suits

75c, \$1.00 and \$1.50

Children's, Boys and Girls, Underwear, per suit

50c

Ladies' Voil and

Organdy Waists

Keep cool styles and full Jabot fronts

98c

Men's Lisle Thread Sox

Black, white and colors

10c



Ladies' High Grade Lisle Hose.....10c

All our old numbers in

25c

Hosiery

for Men, Women and Children are continued

at the same old price



CHILDREN'S DRESSES 2 to 14 years, White and Colors.....50c Up

18x18 Men's Nainsook Handkerchiefs.....5c

Women's Edged and Embroidered Handkerchiefs.....5c

Wash Skirts.....98, \$1.25, \$1.50 and up



Boys' Knee Pants

50c

Boys' Wash Suits

50c, 75c, \$1

\$1.25 and

\$1.50

CHILDREN'S AND WOMEN'S MIDDY BLOUSE 50c, \$1.00 and \$1.25

LADIES' MUSLIN GOWNS

59c, 79c and \$1.00

LADIES' MUSLIN DRAWERS

25c and 50c

Children's Muslin Panties, 2 to 12 years.....15c



Women's Bungalow Aprons.....50c

Extra large Amoskeg Gingham.....75c

Women's Muslin Petticoats.....50c and up

Women's Black and Colored Petticoats.....59c and up



MEN'S DRESS SHIRTS 75c, \$1.00, \$1.25 and Up

MEN'S ELASTIC SEAM DRAWERS

50c

Men's High Grade Silk Neckties

50c

Silk Wash Ties

25c and 50c

The above prices are the same as we have had on the same articles for the last ten years, and while we cannot mention everything which we have at the old prices in one advertisement, one shopping trip to our store will convince anyone that Speake & Moebes are doing their part toward keeping down living expenses.

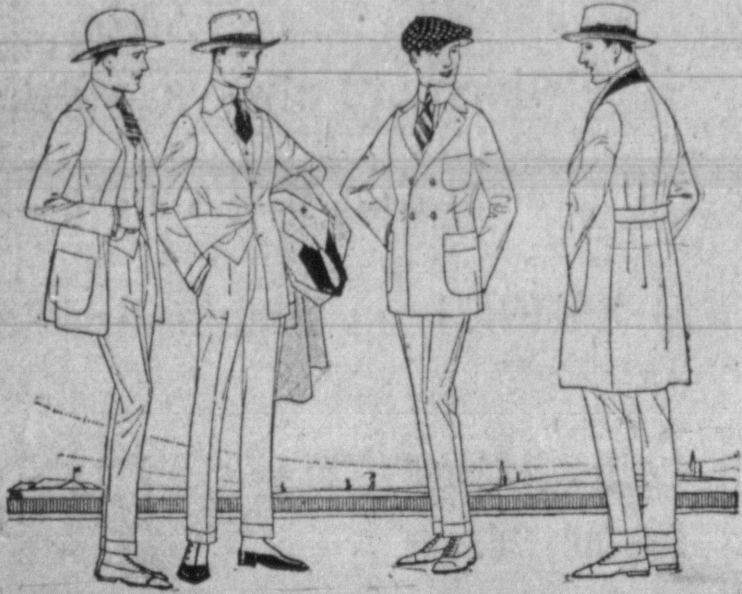
SPEAKE & MOEBES

Second Avenue

MAY CLEARANCE SALE

Starts Thursday, May 10 and Ends Saturday, May 19

This 9 day sale in May with their genuine big money saving possibilities to all on merchandise for all is a declaration of war on high prices of the day. Read this page of sterling values and bear in mind that behind this page is a complete stock of everything advertised and just as advertised, ready to meet your demands. Remember the opening date, sale starts Thursday, May 10th.



\$15.00 Men's Clothing Values Go at \$10.75

Worsteds, new too, of a weight that you can wear now. These Suits are all new goods, and made in the kind of way that will bring you here again for another. It's the best clothing "buy" of the town. Your choice of any suit we have in the house, at

\$10.75

\$10.00 Suits in grey and fancy made fabrics. Your choice of any in this sale, at

\$7.45

Womens' New Summer Suits

To \$20.00 Suits—not a one that is not new. In Fabric style and of splendid tailoring merit. To be closed out quickly—just as we advertise—your choice of any in the house, at

\$11.75

To \$15.00 Suits, in the season's best colors and values; wonderfully underpriced in this sale, offering your unrestricted choice, at

\$9.75

1.25 Waists and Wash Skirts 89c

Tub Silk Waists Included

Voils, Organdies and Lawns and handsome Striped effects. Skirts splendidly made with broad belt and two pockets. Your choice, at

89c

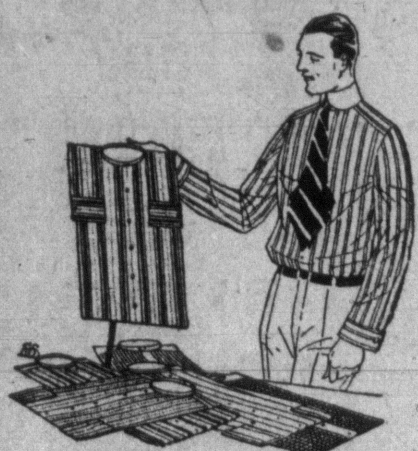


The Season's Best in Women's Hats

Trimmed hats for every purpose and of all materials. High grade hats in every way but the price. In our May Clearance Sale you will find them at

**98c, \$1.49, \$1.98, \$2.49
and \$2.98**

and in every case they will be worth double or more. The sale starts Thursday, May 10th, remember the date—it will pay



\$1.00 SHIRTS, Sale Special

79c

or 4 for \$3.00

Just received one case of shirts new fast colors, 80 x 80 count percale. In handsome striped patterns. A splendid opportunity for your shirt supply.

79c each, or 4 for \$3.00

65c Men's Union Suits, Special 45c

In either nainsook or balbriggan sleeveless styles and short length or 1/2 sleeves or full sleeves, ankle length, exceptional values today at per suit.....

45c

65c Work Shirts, Special 49c

Either Black Satin or Blue Chamray; a full cut, full fitting shirt that will wash and wear. Splendid values today at.....

49c

\$1.25 and \$1.50 Overalls, Special 89c

Men's Trousers

In all pure wool and worsteds. Our entire line of new spring stock on sale at big saving **\$1.50** up to **\$3.49** prices from.....



Shoes Made for Service, and With All the Class That Good Shoes Can Have

\$5.00 Men's Patent Slippers

all styles. A special close-out price, per pair

\$2.98

\$3.50 Men's Light Kid Slippers

Broad toe styles. Special, at per pair

\$2.49

Men's Fine Dress Slippers

In all styles and leathers. High grade in every way but the price. At from

\$3.00, \$3.50 and \$4.00

To \$5.00 Women's Kid Slippers

Soft dull, flexible Shoes that bring you comfort, style and long wear. Beaded styles included, at per pair

\$3.75

Women's High-Grade Canvas Shoes

Popularly priced at **\$1.98, \$2.49 and \$2.98**, and worth more in each price.

\$3.50 Women's Strap Style Slippers

Soft dull Kid quality medium Cuban heels. Spec. per pr.

\$2.49

Children's Slippers, in Black Baby Dolls

White Canvass styles; and the genuine E. C. Scuffer shoes are all reduced to save you big money.

Our new arrivals in handsome dress and wash fabrics just at a time to give you the best service at the greatly reduced prices: Try the new store first—it pays.



35c Striped Sport Cloth in all the season's best colors special per yard.....

25c

35c Poplins in the new beautiful patterns, just received, special per yard.....

25c

50c Soisettes in flowered and striped effects, all new and beautiful patterns, special per yard.....

35c

\$1.75 Taffetas in all the season's best colors, special per yard.....

\$1.39

50c Silk Crepes in all the newest and best colors special per yard.....

35c

\$1.75 Georgette Crepes in the best colors of the season, special per yard.....

\$1.25

\$1.25 Shantung in dainty patterns, special per yard.....

89c

Voiles in striped effects, flowered designs and solid colors, all especially marked from.....

10 to 50c

Percales, exceptional values at.....

10, 12 1/2, and 15c

Cretones especially priced at big savings to you at per yard.....

18 and 25c

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